Looking at the ASP

Unesco Associated Schools Project for promoting international education.
Currently some 2,450 institutions are involved in over 100 countries.

IRP participants enjoy warm and generous Chadian hospitality.

Dear ASP Participants,

I am pleased to bring you up to date on the many meetings, events and activities conducted, over the past few months, within the framework of the Associated Schools Project (ASP) aimed to promote education for international understanding and peace as well as to draw your attention to future events.

International News

The **Second International Consultation of the Interregional Project (IRP) to Increase the Multiplier Effect of the Associated Schools Project** was held in N'Djamena, Chad, from 19 to 23 November, in cooperation with the Chadian National Commission for UNESCO. In view of the many activities under way in connection with the project, it was decided to prolong it to 1992 so as to facilitate additional measures to incorporate ASP initiatives into the mainstream of the educational system in the IRP countries and to pursue activities in the fields of literacy, environmental education and the World Decade for Cultural Development (WDCD). The third consultation is scheduled to take place in Trinidad and Tobago in 1992.

IRP participants from 10 countries world wide.

In support of the **UNESCO-CHERNOBYL Programme,** the French designer Pierre Cardin has produced a beautiful collection of sculptures, jewelry, medals and pins (costing as little as US $7 for the latter) on the theme **'Chernobyl: Never Again! Priority: Environment'.** All proceeds from their sale will go to financing the some 69 projects in the Programme, of which three involve the ASP and include: (i) the conduct of a sub-regional environmental education project; (ii) organizing visits abroad of young children and teenagers from schools located within the disaster area; and (iii) fund-raising in order to rehabilitate existing schools and in particular to buy educational scientific equipment for schools in the disaster area.

How can your school participate?
Please inform all your students and neighbouring schools about the project and about the different items designed by Pierre Cardin to support it. Collect the subscriptions of each student, friend, family members and relations, associations and businesses within or in contact with your school. Collect all the money together and send one global order to:
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UNESCO, 7 place de Fontenoy
75700 PARIS, France
with a cheque covering the full amount. It is

National News

Byelorussian SSR: The ASP National Coordinator, Mr. Velishansky, from Minsk, visited UNESCO Headquarters from 4 to 6 March 1991 for a briefing on the ASP and for discussions on the implementation of the Chernobyl Programme (see above).

Belgium: The Madeleine Verdière de Vits Documentation Centre for Education for International Understanding and Peace was inaugurated at the 'Ecole Colombe de la Paix' in Brussels on 19 January 1991.

Bolivia: Subsequent to an ASP Seminar on Ecology and Environmental Education held at the teacher-training institution 'Mariscal Sucre' in 1990, a teachers' manual on this subject was prepared.

Bulgaria: On Human Rights Day, 10 December, a national meeting of ASP educators was held in Sofia and discussions focused on the reinforcement of the national coordination of the ASP, the elaboration of an action plan, the designation of coordinators for special activities and closer cooperation with other countries. A few days later, the ASP was featured on a popular Bulgarian television programme.

Colombia: A national workshop for the training of some 30 ASP coordinators throughout the country was held in Bucaramanga from 24 to 29 September 1990. A new technique, **METAPLAN,** was introduced which enhances participation, discussions, creativity and outcome.

METAPLAN involves the use of small cards on which concise key ideas/problems/proposals are expressed.

indicated on the order form (on the last page of this Newsletter), that you are taking part in the ASP so that the proceeds from your purchase go to support one of the above-mentioned projects.

We hope that the Associated Schools will do their best to encourage sales from this beautiful collection, thus expressing their solidarity for this important programme and launch in this way the ASP Chernobyl projects.

Do not hesitate to make any suggestions or proposals you wish concerning ways to support the UNESCO Chernobyl Programme to the ASP secretariat.

You may also wish to ask for the full catalogue of the creation of Pierre Cardin of which you see here only a part.

The **13th International 23 April Children's Festival** was organized from 16 to 25 April 1991 in Ankara, Turkey, under the auspices of the Turkish Radio and Television Corporation. The aim of the festival is to create a common vision among the children of the world for establishing a secure future for them filled with peace, friendship, love, happiness, better understanding and tolerance. Schools interested in taking part in next year's festival can write to Mustafa Bulbu, Head of the Organization Committee, TRT, Ankara, Televizyonu, Cocuk Programlari Mudurlugu P.K. 13, Kucukesat, Ankara, Turkey.

The **Japan Prize International Educational Programme Contest** aims to improve televised educational programmes of each country and promote international understanding and cooperation. There are four main categories of televised educational programmes at: (i) primary school level; (ii) secondary school level; (iii) adult education; (iv) general education. Entries must be made in 3/4" U-matic cassette VTR tapes (NTSC – 525/60). PAL-625/50, SECAM 625/50 are accepted under unavoidable circumstances; in such cases, low-band, high-band or SP must be clearly identified. Applications should be submitted prior to 2 September 1991 and entry programmes no later than 28 September 1991. For further information concerning the submission of entries, please contact the Japan Prize Secretariat Office, NHK-Japan Broadcasting Corporation, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 150-01, Japan (Telex J22377, Fax 3481-1800).

Regional News

A Sub-Regional Conference on the ASP was held in Minsk, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, from 3 to 7 December 1990 with a view to strengthening the Project in the BSSR, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. The Conference brought together some 60 educators from these three countries as well as a UNESCO representative and ASP National Coordinators from Bulgaria, Germany, Norway, Poland and Switzerland. The Conference resulted in a wide range of practical proposals for the reinforcement of the ASP in the sub-region.

A European editorial committee (from Hungary, Norway, Spain, USSR and UNESCO) met in Oslo, Norway, from 1 to 4 February 1991 to finalize the manuscript entitled **Environmental Education for our Common Future – A Handbook for Teachers in Europe** to be published soon by the Norwegian University Press.

Finishing touches by the editors on the environmental education handbook.

The preparation of the hand book resulted from the UNESCO-UNEP European Seminar for ASP Teachers held in Lillehammer, Norway, in May 1989 under the auspices of the Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO.

BDR participants are satisfied with the results of their meeting.

A Planning Meeting to launch an **ASP/ INISTE Blue Danube River Project (BDR)** was organized in Krems, Austria, by the Austrian National Commission for UNESCO from 18 to 20 February 1991 and was attended by seven of the eight Danube countries as well as by Italy, Poland and the Ukrainian SSR. The Project aims to promote both environmental education and intercultural learning and a tentative time-table was prepared.

The Minister of Education, His Excellency Mr Alfonso Valdivia Sarmiento, took part in the closing ceremony.

Costa Rica: Some 70 ASP teachers from throughout the country attended a Seminar on Environmental Education at the Centre for Environmental Study, Universidad Nacional, Heredia, from 12-13 February 1991.

ILY prompted ASP students/UNESCO Club members in Costa Rica to set up 24 local libraries (each containing some 300 books) such as this one in a home for the elderly.

Ecuador: A workshop for 60 educators was scheduled to take place from 3 to 5 April 1991 in order to elaborate teaching units on environmental education in connection with Earth Day.

Federal Republic of Germany: The annual ASP seminar is foreseen to take place in Weilburg from 22 to 25 September 1991. Four working groups dealing with literacy, intercultural education, human rights and the environment are to be organized and will report to the meeting on their results.

Grenada: On 11 and 12 April 1991 an ASP National Workshop was held in St. George's with a view to elaborating a national ASP strategy and to make plans to enhance closer ASP cooperation in the Caribbean. The Workshop was organized by the Grenada National Commission for UNESCO.

Spain: The IVth National ASP Seminar is scheduled to take place at the Educational Centre for the Environment 'Los Molinos' in Crevillent (Alicante) from 8 to 10 July 1991 in cooperation with the Spanish National Commission for UNESCO.

Switzerland: The annual ASP national seminar will be held in Morat from 14 to 16 November 1991 on the theme 'How to introduce intercultural teaching at school' under the auspices of the Swiss National Commission for UNESCO.

Thailand: On the occasion of Human Rights Day 10 December, a team of lecturers and Mrs. Na Pombejr, programme specialist from the UNESCO Principal Regional Office in Asia and the Pacific

Regional News (continued)

An **ASP Mediterranean Project** having similar objectives to the BDR has been launched. For further information inquiries can be sent to the ASP National Coordinator of Spain, Mr. Miquel Martí, Centre UNESCO de Catalunya, Mallorca 285, 08037 Barcelona, Spain.

ASP and UNESCO Club members from six African countries met in Lomé, Togo, from 23 to 27 March 1991 at the invitation of the World Federation of UNESCO Clubs and Associations in order to examine closer the role of schools and clubs in combating illiteracy. The workshop was the first of a series foreseen for the 1990's on the theme **'Preparing the Year 2000'** and participants came from Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Central African Republic, Guinea and Togo.

Workshop on literacy as part of the series 'Preparing the Year 2000'.

The Third Consultation on the **Baltic Sea Project (BSP)** is scheduled to take place from 9 to 13 September 1991 in Denmark under the auspices of the Danish National Commission for UNESCO. The second issue of the BSP Newsletter has been released and is available from: The Editors, BSP Newsletter, Hakaniemenkatu 2, 00530 Helsinki, Finland.

Asian ASP students are to meet in Jakarta, Indonesia, from 8 to 11 July 1991 in order to: (i) share experiences on recent and current activities in education for international understanding and peace; (ii) discuss the role of ASP students in contributing to the promotion of international cooperation and peace in the Asia and Pacific region; and (iii) make plans for the reinforcement of the ASP at national, sub-regional and regional levels. The encounter is being organized by the Indonesian National Commission for UNESCO in cooperation with UNESCO's Principal Regional Office in Asia and the Pacific (PROAP).

Pupils from several different countries attending the ASP school 'Arc-en-Ciel' in Lome, Togo, present the word 'peace' in their language.

National News (continued)

(Bangkok) toured Thailand and gave lectures on human rights and peace to many teachers of ASP schools.

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: Mrs. Natacha Dolgina from the Institute of Youth, Department of Foreign Languages, Moscow, visited UNESCO Headquarters from 11 to 15 February 1991 to complete research for her dissertation on the ASP.

Venezuela: The first National Encounter of ASP teachers will be held in Maracaibo from 2 to 4 July 1991 to exchange ideas and information on results of activities in such fields as human rights, man and his environment and international cooperation and peace.

Zaire: Two five-year-old pupils from the Complexe Scolaire Dibwa Dia Ditumba and UNESCO Club in Kinshasa/Limete were amongst the winners (silver) of the Kanagawa (Japan) Biennial World Children's Art Exhibition.

Zimbabwe: The UNESCO Secretariat was very pleased to receive requests from 12 schools throughout Zimbabwe to join the ASP, bringing the overall number of ASP participating countries to 101.

Along with the ASP school reports you send us, we would be grateful also to receive photographs illustrating your activities for eventual inclusion in this Newsletter, the bulletin **International Understanding at School,** or in other publications, exhibitions, etc.

I wish you much success in the continuation of your valuable efforts to further education for international understanding and peace.

Yours sincerely,

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UNESCO Chernobyl Programme
Numismatic and philatelic project

In order to support some of the more than 60 priority projects of the UNESCO Chernobyl Programme identified in the fields of competence of the Organization, Pierre Cardin has been asked to design a series of jewels, medals and badges which are on sale throughout the world as of 26 April 1991. All proceeds from these sales will go to the Programme.

A selection of these items has been made to be distributed especially by the ASP schools in support of its own projects.

The ASP selected items are presented below accompanied by an Order Form.

ASSOCIATED SCHOOLS ORDER FORM

To be completed and returned to
UNESCO Chernobyl Programme - UNESCO, 7 place de Fontenoy
75700 PARIS - France

Please find herewith our subscription and full payment for:

Item 2.3 ..... **Pendant(s),** costume jewelry replica of the original Pierre Cardin creation
@ US $96 ..... = ... US $

Item 3.3 ..... **Pin(s),** UNESCO-Chernobyl Programme
@ US$7 ..... = ... US $

Item 6.3 ..... **Medal(s),** two alloys
@ US $33 ..... = ... US $

Item 6.4 ..... **Collector(s) envelope(s),** with a Soviet Chernobyl stamp and a medal (21 mm)
@ US $15 ..... = ... US $

Mailing and packing ..... 6 US $

Total amount of the order ..... US $

Please find herewith my full payment of ..... US $
Established to the order of "UNESCO Chernobyl Programme"

Place ..... Date ..... Signature .....

Please mail the order to:

NAME ..... **First name** .....

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Country .....

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Pendant
(Item 2.3)

Pin
(Item 3.3)

Medal
(Item 6.3)

Numismatic Envelope
(Item 6.4)